

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reason thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) to (d). Production of feature films is predominantly in the Private Sector. All films intended for public exhibition in India are required to be certified by the Central Board of Film Certification. The films are examined by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 and the Guidelines issued thereunder. According to these guidelines issued thereunder. According to these Guidelines, while examining films for certification, the Board ensures *inter-alia* that visuals or words contemptuous of racial, *religious* or other groups are not presented.

(e) Does not arise.

#### **Development of Pilgrim Sites in Haryana**

6152. SHRI NARAIN SINGH CHAUDHURI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from the Haryana Government for development of various pilgrim sites and to complete the renovation and beautification of Jyotisar, Brahma Sarovar, Sannihit Sarovar, setting up of Geeta Centra, development of Sri Krishna museum and to provide facilities for pilgrims and tourists; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Union Government to clear the proposals?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA):

DIA): (a) and (b) Development of tourism including places of pilgrimage is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. The Central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to State Governments on specific proposals on their merit, availability of funds and interse priorities. Based on this criteria, during the year 1991-92, budget accommodation at nine places, one fast food restaurant, publicity support and two tourist complexes have been sanctioned in the State of Haryana. However, no proposals for renovation/beautification of Jyotisar, Brahma Sarovar, Sannihit Sarovar, and development of Sri Krishan museum were received from the State Government.

#### **New Tourism Route in Southern Region**

6153 SHRI SOBHANAD REESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to develop Vijayawada, Kondapalli, Amaravathi, Nagarjunasagar and Hyderabad as a tourism route; and

(b) if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b). Development of tourist centres is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. However, Central Department of Tourism have identified the Hyderabad-Nagarjunasagar-Tirupati circuit for development of tourism in this area.

[Translation]

#### **Aluminium from Ashes of Thermal Power Plants**

6154 SHRI DEVENDRA FASAD YADAV: SHRI RAM BADAN:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state

(a) whether any research has been completed successfully by the Central Power Research Institute regarding extraction of aluminium from ash of thermal power plants,

(b) whether the Government propose to chalk out any programme on the basis of the said research, and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) (a) to (c) The Central Power Research Institute, Bangalore, has successfully carried out extraction of alumina on laboratory scale using lime soda sinter process, a process currently under trial in Poland. A pilot plant with a capacity of one kg per day is expected to be ready for trial runs by March, 1993. Based on the results of the batch plant trials at CPRI further programming would be possible.

[English]

#### **Expansion of Hydro Electric Projects between India and Nepal**

6155 SHRI RAJVEER SINGH Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state

(a) whether any accord has been signed for expansion of hydro electric projects between India and Nepal during 1991,

(b) if so, the details of such major and small hydro-electric projects, considered for this purpose and

(c) the places where these plants are

proposed to be set up and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) (a) to (c) During the visit of the Prime Minister of Nepal to India in December, 1991, it was, inter alia, agreed that —

- for Karnali Project (18,800 MW) on Mahakali river in Nepal discussions should be continued, inter alia, to finalise the technical aspects,
- a detailed project report for Pancheshwar Hydroelectric Project (3000 MW) on river Sharda on Indo-Nepal border to be jointly prepared by October, 1992
- modalities of investigations and methods of assessment of benefits for Kosi High Dam (3000 MW) on the river Kosi in Nepal, to be finalised
- field surveys to be jointly conducted by June, 1992 for Burhi Gandak Hydroelectric Project (600 MW). The detailed project report to be prepared by 1994
- on Tanakpur Hydroelectric Project in Uttar Pradesh, Govt. of India to undertake (i) investigations of the road connecting the barrage to East-West Highway at Mahendragarh (ii) supply of water from the barrage in accordance with agreement (iii) immediate consideration of left afflux bund and (iv) India would provide to Nepal 10 million units of power annually, free of charge,
- Nepal will prepare feasibility report